What is claimed:

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A pressure element (7) for an edge gluing machine for gluing a bandlike covering (4) or film by means of an adhesive onto a narrow face (3) of a straight or curved cross section of a board element (2) or onto a profile bar having a surface of straight or profiled cross section, wherein the pressure element (7) comprises an elastically deformable pressure face (30).

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- 2. The pressure element of claim 1, wherein the pressure element comprises a sliding shoe (7).
- 3. The pressure element of claim 1, wherein the deformable pressure face comprises an elastic band.
 - 4. The pressure element of claim 3, wherein the deformable pressure face comprises a spring-steel band (30)

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- 5. A method for gluing a bandlike covering (4) or film onto a narrow face (3) of a board element (2) or a profile bar having a surface of straight or profiled cross section with an adhesive, the covering (4) or film being pressed onto the narrow face (3) or profile bar by means of at least one pressure element (7), wherein the covering (4) or film is pressed on by means of a pressure element (7) which has an elastically deformable pressure face (30) matched to the shape of the narrow face (3) or of the profile bar.
- 6. The method of claim 5, wherein the adhesive is a hot melt adhesive.

7. The method of claim 5, wherein the board element comprises chipboard, fiber board, or solid wood board.